

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims in accordance with the following rewritten claims in clean form. Applicant includes herewith an Attachment for Claim Amendments showing a marked up version of each amended claim.

A1 1. (Amended) A joint assembly comprising:
at least one ceramic matrix composite conduit;
at least one metal conduit; and
a monolithic ceramic insert disposed inside the ceramic composite conduit and the metal conduit;
wherein the ceramic composite conduit is joined to the metal conduit using the insert.

A2 16. (Amended) A process for joining a ceramic matrix composite conduit to a metal conduit comprising the steps of:
516 31 (a) securing a monolithic ceramic insert inside at least one fiber preform of the ceramic matrix composite conduit;
(b) co-processing the monolithic ceramic insert with the fiber preform;
(c) placing a metal conduit over the monolithic ceramic insert; and
(d) securing the metal conduit to the monolithic ceramic insert.